

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residences, mailing addresses, and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled CONTROL VALVE FOR CONTROLLING FLOW OF HYDRAULIC FLUID, the specification of which (check one)

- is attached hereto
 was filed on 30 July 2003 as PCT/GB03/03209,
now U.S. National Phase Application Serial No. 10/522,323
and was amended on January 24, 2005

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) specifically referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Sec. 119 (a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States

of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

<u>Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	Foreign Filing Date <u>MM/DD/YYYY</u>	Priority Claimed <u>Yes</u> <u>No</u>
PCT/GB03/03209	WO	07/30/2003	XX
GB 0217641.0	Great Britain	07/30/2002	XX

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Sec. 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

Provisional <u>Appln. Serial No(s).</u>	Filing Date <u>MM/DD/YYYY</u>	Status (<u>patented, pending, abandoned</u>)
NONE		

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

We hereby appoint the following attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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ASSIGNMENT

This Assignment made by GEORGE EDMOND of Norfolk, Great Britain; STEVEN KENCHINGTON of Norfolk, Great Britain and SIMON PAUL KUDEROVITCH of Norfolk, Great Britain; Assignors, to LOTUS CARS LIMITED, a Great Britain corporation, Assignee, having a place of business at Hethel, Norwich, Norfolk NR14 8EZ GREAT BRITAIN.

WHEREAS, Assignors have invented a new and useful CONTROL VALVE FOR CONTROLLING FLOW OF HYDRAULIC FLUID for which an International Application under the Patent Cooperation Treaty was filed on 30 July 2003, as Application No. PCT/GB03/03209, which entered the U.S. National Phase as Serial No. 10/522,323; and

WHEREAS, Assignors believe themselves to be the original, first and joint inventors of the invention disclosed and claimed in said application for Letters Patent; and

WHEREAS, Assignee desires to acquire by formal, recordable assignment the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application, and any Letters Patent that may be granted for said invention in the United States and throughout the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignors hereby sell, assign and transfer to Assignee, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application, and any Letters Patent that may be granted for said invention in the United States and throughout the world, including the right to file foreign applications directly in the name of the Assignee and to claim for any such foreign applications any priority rights to which such applications are entitled under international conventions, treaties or otherwise.

Further, Assignors agree that, upon request and without further compensation, but at no expense to Assignors, they and their legal representative(s) and assigns will do all lawful acts,

Further, Assignors agree that, upon request and without further compensation, but at no expense to Assignors, they and their legal representative(s) and assigns will do all lawful acts, including the execution of papers and the giving of testimony, that may be necessary or desirable for obtaining, sustaining, reissuing or enforcing Letters Patent in the United States and throughout the world for said invention, and for perfecting, recording or maintaining the title of Assignee, its successors and assigns, to said invention, said application, and any Letters Patent granted for said invention in the United States and throughout the world.

Assignors represent and warrant that they have not granted and will not grant to others any rights inconsistent with the rights granted herein.

Assignors authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States and of all foreign countries to issue any Letters Patent granted for said invention, whether on said application or on any subsequently filed division, continuation, continuation-in-part or reissue application, to Assignee, its successors and assigns, as the assignee of the entire interest in said invention.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Assignors have executed this Assignment on the date written herein below.

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Date: 2 - 9 - 2008


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